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In response to the request for information at the 9-7-2006 meeting on Net-Metering I submit the following information as a consumer with no business ties. You will get a lot of longer papers but the simple facts remain the same. In fact the longer the paper the more they can confuse the simple facts. Went power is sent back to the grid it gets resold in milliseconds at full retail cost with no water use, no pollution, no transformer leads or transmission costs.

I first will state that this simple and fair equal net-metering is long long over due in Arizona. Just about every state in the US has this feature. In Arizona we have lived without it for much too long. Most states have required it since 2000. SRP stepped up and had done it since November of 2004. Just put the same plan in place that they have and do it by the end of 2006. Anything else is irresponsible on your part.

Participation- I would request that residence and business can participate in this net-metering. There should be no limit. So far this has been less than 1 % of the customers and you can be sure it won't jump to 90% over night or even in the next decade. Only Solar and wind should be included. There are far too many definitions of others to make it simple. Burning wood is considered by some to be renewable as is unsafe nuclear etc.

If what is really at the heart of a cap would be to prevent fraud and retain control this will always be there as it is now with all power customers. Renewable net-metering does not open any new issues that doesn't already exist.

Metering- A single meter that can run both directions is used all across the USA. Our system should not be any different. The cost is zero or very low at about \$100 a meter or less. There should be no cost to the consumer since this same meter may already be in place or if it is replaced it will be in service just as the current meters are in place today.

If a power utility wants to have more fancy readings or totals they should pay for that, not the consumer.

Net-Excess- As you look at all the plans across the US 85% of them all give retail rates, (equal) and carry over each month. At the end of the year is the only difference. Some cancel out and start over which I would suggest so a customer doesn't try to be a large producer and make excess for the entire year. Others issue a check for the excess at avoided rates and a few have proposed donating that excess to a charitable fund or low income customers.

COSTS- This is the best item. The costs are even or positive. If you check with any power company, coop or utility none are losing a penny on clean renewable energy. Most can't keep up with demand and welcome the clean simple help.

With a simple meter that can spin both ways, they can still read and automate the bills just like before , it just reduced the load and bills. The basic service connection payments and costs are still there and covered.

You don't need more studies or years to decide. Just ask SRP and you will see this is good for the power producer, the customer and our environment !

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